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OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
 Please get articles to Audrey no later than
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024
 Please have your articles on time. Thank you



Pastor's Corner

God is good and gives us each three gifts. The first is an amazing chance at living this life. What we choose to do with it is the second gift he gives us. I have learned you enjoy the moments you have with the ones you love and cherish them. After my Mom passed, one of my best "Pop" times, with my dad, was one night, him and I was sitting at the house watching TV. I said what do you want for supper Pops? He said let's go to Eat n Park, which was about 15 miles away from their home.

Last thing I wanted to do after driving home from Indiana pa, from work, was to drive again, but I said sure Pops. So we go to Eat n Park "Again", like we did at least 4 to 5 times a week. The waitress said what do you want tonight for supper Bill? He said I will have a banana split! She said that's dessert. He said if I eat supper I won't have any room for the banana split, so skip supper and give me the banana split. I smiled and said give it to him. If you didn't know, I will fill you in that my dad had Alzheimer's and required someone to be with him. The caretaker the next day tried to chew me out for not making him eat a "good" meal. My dad got to a point within the next 8 months that you couldn't go to Eat n Park anymore and passed away about 8 months after that. To this day, I am happy we had banana splits!! The good meal meant nothing. Lesson learned, don't miss the good for doing what is expected by others, follow your . That leads to the third gift from God the chance to accept the love of his son Jesus Christ as family and receive the peace of mind from living to give him glory. We can gain that sense of peace and wellness, just as I have peace with my choices with my dad. Peace of being right with God.

Pastor Terri Wells

SEPTEMBER LECTIONARY READING

September 1, 2024

15th Sunday after Pentecost

*Song of Solomon 2:8-13, Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9,
James 1:17-27, Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23*

September 8, 2024

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Grandparents Day

*Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23, Psalm 125,
James 2:1-10, 14-17, Mark 7:24-37*



September 15, 2024

17th Sunday after Pentecost

*Proverbs 1:20-33, Psalm 19,
James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38*

September 22, 2024

18th Sunday of Pentecost

*Proverbs 31:10-31, Psalm 1,
James 3:13-4:3, Mark 9:30-37*

September 29, 2024

19th Sunday After Pentecost

*Esther 7:1-6,9-10,9:20-22, Psalm 124,
James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50*



WELCOME BACK

Pastor Dayton has been released to return to work as of August 13, 2024. We are pleased to have him back. Please be patient as Pastor Dayton "gets back in the swing of things".

Cindy Volek, Charge SPRC Chair

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that attended and helped with the Charge Picnic on Sunday, August 25th. Worship, Fellowship with friends, old and new, and good food. A Great Time to praise God!

Cindy Volek, Charge SPRC Chair





FIRST CHURCH LINK PAGES

COUNTERS

1 Bureau
8 Ferguson
15 Scaife
22 Bureau
29 Scaife



USHERS

1 Asbury
8 Asbury
15 Epworth
22 Epworth
29 Oxford



ACOLYTES

1 Caden King
8 Caitlyn Kachur
15 Elizabeth Mix
22 Jocelyn King
29 Hallie Hoffman



LIVE STREAM

1 Ray Johnson
8 Brenda/Steph
15 Steph Hankey
22 Brenda Beers
29 Brenda Beers



BELL RINGERS

1 Elizabeth Mix
8 Jocelyn King
15 Chris Hankey
22 Emersyn McGregor
29 Eliana McGregor

WELCOME CENTER

1 Sarah Heckert
8 Melissa Bureau
15 Karen Scaife
22 Beverly Patton
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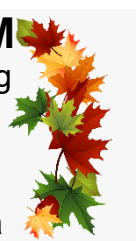
SCRIPTURE READER

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29 Carolyn Hancock



SOUND SYSTEM

1 Tim King
8 Hankey
15 Hankey
22
29 Chelsea



OUR SIFT LUNCHEONS ARE SET TO RETURN FOR THE YEAR

The September SIFT Luncheon will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at noon in the Covenant Center. The menu will be Ham Bar-be-que sandwich with homemade macaroni and cheese. Dessert will be cake. The program will be presented by a music therapist. Reservations can be made from Tuesday, September 3 through noon on Monday, September 16. Please call 724-548-4312. Phone reservations only will be accepted and will be limited to 75. You will need to give a name for each reservation made along with a contact phone number. Please call to cancel as there may be a waiting list. Doors will open at 11:30 AM. Please us the parking lot door.

See YOU there!



CARING FRIENDS REQUEST

The members of the Caring Friends committee are requesting your help to continue their ministry of sending cards to our members. Cards are sent for special occasions and monthly to our shut-ins. Any monetary donations to help cover the ever-increasing cost of stamps would be greatly appreciated. Your donations can be sent to the church office or placed in the offering with the notation for Caring Friends. Thank you very much for your help.



MESSAGE FROM THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

With the recent changes to membership, First United Methodist Church finds itself in need of new leadership. There are vacancies in many necessary positions. If you ever thought of or will consider helping us. Please call Melissa Bureau at 724-859-2607 or church office at 724-548-4312. Thank you for your help.

2025 VBS ALUMINUM CANS

We continue our aluminum can collection for Habitat for Humanity

Cans Received July 15th—August 15th—5268

Total cans received through August 15th—8865

Many thanks to everyone who is saving aluminum cans and bringing them to the church-at the ramp at the back of the church. Please save cans from soft drinks, juice, power drinks, tea, beer, cat food-Aluminum only-NOT "TIN CANS", food, soup, etc.

Thank you, The Can Man, Jim Ternent





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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Jean Wolfe | 14 Emersyn McGregor |
| 4 Patricia Snow | 24 Pam Scaife |
| 6 Bradley McKinney | 27 Becky McKinney |
| 7 Justin Snow | 29 Vince Bruno |
| 9 Hallie Hoffman | 29 Oliva Green |
| 11 Carol Wolfe | 29 Mandy Podvorec |
| 11 Tim Volek | |



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Jim & Erica Deaton-1 year
- 19 Jeff & Steph Hankey-15 years
- 22 Tim & Cindy Volek
- 26 Bernie & Audrey Green-43 years



We extend our condolences to:



~~ Milly Tarr on the death of her husband, Franklin. Funeral service on Wednesday, July 17, 2024.

~~the Family of Joyce Shaner. Joyce passed away on Saturday, July 27, 2024.

THANK YOU

Dear Friends at First United Methodist Church,

It was a pleasure to come and speak to you on Sunday, May 12th. Thank you for allowing me to come and present the change for Life Campaign. Your generous gift of \$656.95 in change, cash and checks is greatly appreciated! May God bless you for your generosity!

Melody Hooks
Life Choices Donor Relations Rep.



Dear Congregation of First UMC,

I wanted to tell you how grateful I am to you for your support once again of the Ruth M. Smith Center through the Warren Gives Fundraiser. With your help the center received just over \$34,560! This has greatly supplemented our funds for a new kitchen, which is desperately needed to better serve the residents.

The RMSC has become very important to me in my 5 years of serving on the Board of Directors. It is more than a place for people with special needs to live; it is their home and they love living there. It is one of the happiest places you'd ever see!

So again, from my heart, I sincerely thank you for helping the Center to continue its mission of serving some of the most vulnerable members of our society. With deepest gratitude,

Lynn Sibley



Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the generous scholarship! It will be put to good use to achieve my dream of becoming a teacher!

Love, Abby Yankasky



FOLK FESTIVAL REPORT

The food booth at the Covenant Center had a year very similar to last year. Total sales were about \$17,000 and profit was a little over \$10,500. Thank you to all who helped set up, tear down, worked in the booth, made pies or contributed in any other way. A big thank you to those from the other Allegheny River Charge Churches who made it much easier for some of us with their donated help.

Tim Scaife, Activities Committee Chair





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FOLK FESTIVAL THANK YOU

WOW! Big Thank You to the 38 volunteers that came to work this years festival food booth. Would not have done it without you and I personally enjoyed my time I spent working with you all. Thank you again. Hope to see you next year. *Melissa Bureau*



COVENANT CENTER ART SHOW



I am pleased to report that this year's show was very successful in every way. We had 54 exhibitors and a total of 226 pieces hung. We gave out \$805 in prize money. We sold 19 pieces for a total of \$705.00. visitation was high with 519 votes being cast for people's choice. Two people's choice were given out. #97 Reflections of a Ranger-Emma Zacherl, Clarion and #100 Wildflowers Dream-Amelia Bissell, Kittanning. Many volunteers made this show a success. Thank you to all that helped, participated, and supported this year's show. Thank you, *Melissa Bureau & Committee*



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will start back up on Sunday, September 8th at 9:30 AM for all children 3 years thru 12th grade. Hope to see you there.



FORD MEMORIAL LINK PAGE



MANORVILLE LINK PAGE

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Nancy Gaul
- 2 Lisa Zolocsik
- 7 Clarence Walker III
- 10 Stephanie Anderson
- 13 Sydnee Olenchak
- 13 Pastor Sara Wrona
- 20 Chase Anthony



- 20 Ethan Scott Chromiak
- 22 Ariel Jolee Bowers
- 23 Brittany Walker
- 23 Rick Anderson
- 24 Clarence Walker Jr.
- 26 Angela Boarts
- 30 Judie Reesman

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY

- 25 Jim & Angela Boarts



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Millie Reesman
- 10 Janice Ochs

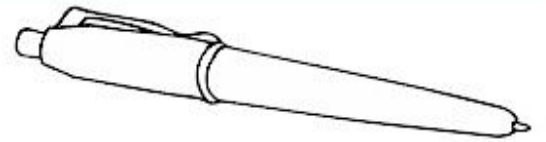
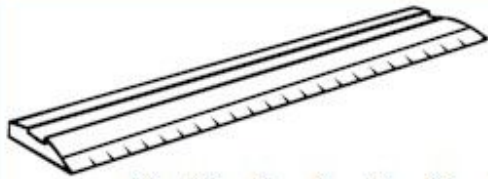


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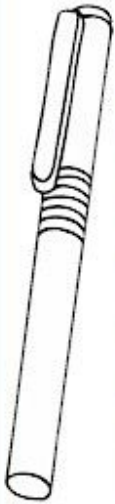
- 7 Gary & Jodie Anderson-39 Years





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